House Resolution No. 938

- Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and
- Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Dennis "Bullit" Hovis, of Piedmont, Missouri, who has been honored by the Piedmont Chamber of Commerce as the Business Person of the Year on March 11 during the Chamber's Annual Officer Installation Banquet to be held at Skip's Place in Piedmont; and
- Whereas, Bullit Hovis is the owner of Dennis Hovis Insurance, Inc., which he founded in 1989 and represents Farmers Insurance Group; and
 - Whereas, Hovis Insurance has offices in Piedmont and in Van Buren, Missouri; and
- **Whereas**, Bullit Hovis started his sales career in 1969, when Gaylon Watson, owner of KPWB radio, hired him as an advertising salesman; and
- Whereas, during his time with Farmers, Bullit Hovis has been chosen to attend Farmers Topper Club six times and Life Championship twice; and
- Whereas, Piedmont has been home to the Hovis family for nearly eighty years, and his mother Etta Hovis, who is now ninety-three years old, owned restaurants in Piedmont for many years, and his father, Curtis Hovis, who is now deceased, was a Piedmont police officer for several years; and
- **Whereas**, for four years in the 1960s, Bullit Hovis was a police officer with the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department; and
- Whereas, Bullit Hovis nobly served his country for three years in the United States Army, with most of his active-duty time spent in Stuggart, Germany, as an investigator with a military police unit; and
- Whereas, Bullit Hovis is the proud husband of Mary Hovis, an agent with the agency, and they are the proud parents of two children, Chad Hovis and his wife, Melissa, of Piedmont, and Amanda Clark, and her husband, Ryan, of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, and the devoted grandparents of Austyn Hovis:
- **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Bullit Hovis on the illustrious occasion of his being honored by the Piedmont Chamber of Commerce's Business Person of the Year, with our best wishes for every success and happiness in the future; and
- **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dennis "Bullit" Hovis, as a measure of our esteem.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton District No. 156

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 938, adopted March 5, 2008.